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Genesis 4:1-26

Bridge Bible Fellowship Sermon Notes

Cain's sin forces him to leave the presence of God. When he and his descendants decide to away from the presence of God the story illustrates how sin corrupts God's creation.

Compare Cain and Abel's offerings. How are they the same? How are they different?

How does Cain feel as he faces the temptation of sin? Why does that matter?

What does the snake want man to believe?

How does being away from the presence of God affect Cain's descendants? How does it affect you?

What sins do we see from Lamech? How are they undoing God's creation?

What two directions can we go?

How do we return to God's presence? How do we abide there?

Reflection:

How does sin in Genesis 3 and 4 undo God's creative acts from Genesis 1 and 2?

Compare this to the story of Jonah who was another person experiencing turmoil and turbulence after leaving the presence of the Lord. (see the book of Jonah)

Read 1 John 2:7-11. How does this passage connect to the story of Genesis 4? What is encouraged in the 1 John passage that could also be understood from Cain's story?